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Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

NEW YORK, July 12, 1871.

EXCITEMENT UNABATED.

The excitement in the city continues unabated, and all sorts of rumors of further fighting are flying about, though none are traceable to an authentic source.

NO SERIOUS TROUBLE.

Since the firing upon the mob by the militia in the Eighth ward at three P. M., there has been no serious trouble. About nineteen or twenty bodies have been picked up in that neighborhood, nearly all of them rioters. Ten or twelve policemen have been badly wounded. The Ribbonmen declare the soldiers shot down men without sufficient provocation; that the killing was deliberate murder.

CATHOLICS THREATENING.

The military will remain under arms all night, as they fear further riots, which the Irish Catholics threaten. Many of them swear no Orangeman shall live here any longer; that they have no right in this country.

COL. FISK WOUNDED.

Col. Jas. Fisk, Jr., has been reported killed, and it has been denied. He commanded the Ninth regiment. It seems, however, he was on the ground, and has been slightly wounded.

HORACE GREELEY NOT ASSAULTED.

The report that Horace Greeley was assaulted while on the way to the *Tribune* and brutally beaten, is a mere invention, as was also that Harpers publishing house had been set on fire.

KELSO'S ORDER COOKED UP IN CITY HALL.

Leading police officials openly declare they believe Kelso's order was cooked up in City Hall by Mayor Hall, Sweeney, Connolly and others, and that neither President Smith nor Superintendent Kelso knew anything of the order, or that a change of programme was contemplated, until late on Monday afternoon. They say that this order, the entire affair has been thrown on Superintendent Kelso, when, in reality, he is only obeying the orders of those above him, but who choose to remain in the background, and that in consequence of this action on the part of the real authors of the mischief, and escaping the obloquy that has fallen on Kelso. Nevertheless, he signed the order, it emanates from him, and the public hold him responsible for it. Yesterday many prominent citizens and acquaintances called on Kelso and desired to know if the report was genuine. On being told that it was, the great majority seemed almost overcome with astonishment at the confirmation of what they could not otherwise have believed to be true.

During the morning a well-dressed, intelligent-looking man called on the Superintendent, and pointing to the order said, "Did you issue that order, Superintendent?" "Yes," Superintendent Kelso. "You Stranger—"Well, G—d d—n you, sir, on deserve to be shot." The indignant individual was at once ejected from the office.

A reporter called on the Superintendent and asked him if the order was issued on his own responsibility, or after consultation with the Mayor.

Superintendent—"On my own responsibility."

Reporter—"Did you consult with the Mayor relative to it?"

Superintendent—"On my own responsibility, sir."

Referring to the storm of indignation that the order had evoked, the Superintendent said he believed the public feelings had subsided to a day or two, and whenever calmer counsels prevailed, the majority would say that the order was a wise one. He declared he had information that twenty-five thousand Irishmen, armed with rifles and shot-loaders, would attempt to prevent the parade of the Orangemen. He failed to see why 5,000 of the latter, through a senseless wish to parade, should be encouraged to bring on a scene of bloodshed, riot, and perhaps thousands of lives might be sacrificed. The newspapers had added to if not created the present excitement. The police force was inadequate to put down a riot, and it was criminal folly to promote or incite to one.

These assertions of the Superintendent are vastly different from those promulgated by him as late as noon on Monday. Up to that time he had declared the police were ample to preserve order, and all attempts to disturb the public peace, or interfere with the parade would be promptly met and put down. There was not even need of the services of the National Guard. The police force was ample to quell disturbance, by whomsoever made.

A CONTINUOUS ACCOUNT.

GATHERING OF THE ORANGEMEN.

NEW YORK, July 12.—As early as eight o'clock this morning crowds of Orangemen were collected around their headquarters, corner of Twenty-ninth street and Eighth avenue, where the procession was to start from. In the building on the corner, where two large halls are rented, were gathered members to the number of two hundred, together with a few women. Most of the men wore Orange scarfs and had revolvers and swords about them.

THE LODGE ROOMS GUARDED.

Police to the number of 400 arrived about half-past ten, under the lead of Inspectors Jamison and Walling, and placed one squad on Thirteenth street and Eighth avenue, another on Twenty-eighth, and a third on Twenty-ninth street, each half way down the block, on both sides of the avenue, to prevent any not members of the Orange fraternity from entering the lines.

SNEAKS ARRESTED.

Several persons representing themselves as Orangemen were allowed to pass through, but being rather suspicious looking, were searched by the police, and on about twenty were found revolvers, pistols, all kinds of clubs and old rusty swords. From one man was taken a seven-shooter, loaded, a box of cartridges, and a roll containing the names of nearly one hundred volunteers who had got ready to do duty. Every few minutes arrests were made, and in almost every case fire arms were taken from the prisoners. A fellow representing himself as a reporter for the *Illustrated News* was found to have a shooter and ammunition and clubs. He gave his name as McGinnis, and was taken in charge, together with a companion named American.

FORMATION OF THE PROCESSION.

Toward two o'clock, the neighborhood of the Orange headquarters became intensely crowded, and the police had much difficulty in keeping the mob within bounds. At about 2:30 P. M. the Orangemen formed on Twenty-ninth street, below Eighth avenue, and the advance, the Twenty-second Regiment, under Col. Porter, marched past and formed in line on Eighth avenue, where they joined with the Twenty-seconds. Next came the Sixth Regiment which took up position on the west side of the street, with the policemen on the east side of the street, and the military on the west, and it would seem to be the intention to have the Orangemen march between the two files. They presented a very small appearance, numbering scarcely two hundred. They have two banners, one the Stars and Stripes, the other a banner bearing a picture of William of Orange on horseback, and a small one with the inscription, "American freemen, fall in." After waiting some time for a taste of music at last it arrived, and the line was formed.

THE POLICE CHARGE THE CROWD.

About this time the police stationed on the other side of the street made a rush on the mob, and it was feared a general row would take place, but it was quelled at three o'clock the signal for starting was given.

THE FIRST ATTACKS.

The procession started, and twice was attacked by the crowd, who were driven back by the police. Large numbers of rioters were clubbed and taken prisoners.

BAYONET CHARGE OF THE NINTH REGIMENT.

At Twenty-sixth street the Ninth Regiment charged on the mob with fixed bayonets. Several persons were killed and wounded, among them one woman. Colonel Fisk was shot through the ankle. Captain Spencer, of the Ninth, was killed by his own sword while firing a pistol. Lieutenant Pyle, Lieutenant Page, of the Ninth Regiment, and advertising agent of the Grand Opera House, was mortally wounded. Between Twenty-fifth and Twenty-sixth streets the most fierce fighting took place. The military returned the fire, killing eight and wounding thirteen. Two boys and a lady were shot. Sixteen citizens and rioters in all were killed. Coming down the avenue at the corner of Twenty-third street, the Eighty-fourth regiment fired upon the mob, killing and wounding twelve. One policeman was shot dead.

The fighting at Twenty-fourth street and Eighth avenue was more severe than at first reported. Over 150 of the mob were certainly killed and wounded. Among troops known to be killed, besides those already reported, are a Captain of the Eighty-fourth and two privates, and five others wounded. Five regiments are resting on their arms near Cooper Institute.

THE BOLD HIBERNIANS.

Just before the Orange procession formed, three hundred Hibernians, all armed, with loud cheers took possession of Twenty-ninth street, immediately opposite the police, who stood quietly by waiting for orders. When the orders came, the street was cleared in two minutes. One detachment marched quickly down Twenty-ninth street towards Seventh avenue; another to the corner of the one down Eighth avenue, and the Hibernians disappeared. No shots were fired, but here and there the dull crack of a locust showed that some unfortunate had found out the thickness of his skull. In an instant the street was empty.

AN ENTERPRISING ARTIST.

Every shop had its shutters up, and nothing but policemen were in sight, with the exception of an intrepid photographer, who adjusted his apparatus to view the row with all imaginable coolness.

BANNERS AND LADIES.

Gen. Shaler at first advised the Orangemen not to bear banners, but finally told them to carry what they pleased. The Orangemen then gave three cheers for Governor Randolph and three more for the stars and stripes. The master then exhorted the brothers to keep the peace, maintain their dignity, and on no account retaliate for blows or insults while on the march. Any brother becoming disorderly would be expelled from the order. The question then arose whether ladies were to join the procession in carriages. The ladies were not afraid, but finally concluded to go home and wait the results.

One brother was pointed out as well known to the Irish Catholics, and he was requested not to go out, for if he did there would surely be a riot. Thomas Bennett offered a prayer for the divine protection of this great day. Governor Hoffman, accompanied by several officers, drove up, the avenue while the procession was moving on Eighth avenue. Notwithstanding the dark appearance around, he never looked better than this afternoon. Soldiers two deep lined the avenue for eight blocks, and one thousand policemen were also present. The pavements, windows and every inch of room were occupied by a dense crowd. As soon as the riot began, the stores in the upper portion of the city were closed, and in the jewelry and some other stores the valuables were removed from the show windows. The postoffice is now guarded by the Sixty-ninth Regiment, which, although Irish, stand ready to put down the Hibernians.

THE AFTERNOON DISPATCHES.

IN THE EARLY MORNING.

We have before us a great mass of telegrams from New York, detailing the exciting scenes of riot and bloodshed. The morning broke with the sky overcast with clouds, the atmosphere close and sultry. AT 7 A. M. the streets presented anomalous scenes, resembling greatly those of the dark days of the draft riots in 1862.

PREPARATIONS TO PRESERVE ORDER.

Soldiers in undress uniforms are flitting quietly to their armories, and squads of police are moving to their designated posts. A printed secret circular has fallen into the hands of the authorities, detailing the plan of the proposed attack on the Orangemen. Evidences of these extraordinary precautions taken by the city authorities, under Gov. Hoffman's instructions, to preserve the peace, are witnessed on every hand. All the troops in the city, and the State National Guard are under arms at their respective armories. Gen. Shaler and staff are at the Carondelet police station, where their headquarters will be during the day. Gov. Hoffman and staff are at the Clarendon Hotel. A battery of United States light artillery from Governor's Island are prepared for action, in the park near the Battery. Several batteries of mounted howitzers are on harbor police tugs, lying off Twenty-seventh street, East River.

FAIR BUT FALSE PROMISES.

At 9 A. M. everything was quiet, it appearing as if Governor Hoffman's proclamation had had the desired effect, and the Orangemen would be permitted to parade without molestation. These appearances, we are sorry to say, were only too deceptive.

AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS.

In the vicinity of Police Headquarters, at 10 A. M., all was hustle. The whole police force had assembled under their captains, to the number of 1,500 or more. Detachments were sent out to the various localities where trouble was most likely to occur, a squad of fifty being detailed to guard the publication house of Harper Bros., which has become very obnoxious to the Irish Catholic element. Up to this hour no disturbances had yet occurred. In front of No. 14 Spring street the effigy of a man trimmed with orange colors, suspended to a telegraph pole, was cut down by the police. Mounted police were on hand during hither and thither, carrying orders. Twenty stages stood ready to convey police to any point as soon as possible.

IRISH CATHOLIC LABORERS SUSPEND WORK.

At 11 A. M. the Irish Catholic laborers on the boulevards had suspended work, and were marching down town in a body. An Inspector of Police, with two hundred and fifty men, was dispatched to intercept them. The governmental battery from Battery Garden Park was sent up town. Another battery of light twelve-pounders came over from Brooklyn, and was stationed on the East side of the city.

THE RIOT COMMENCED.

At 11:15 A. M. the riot had commenced at last. About 10:45 word began to come to headquarters to the effect that the mob had gathered in large force near Eighty-third street and Third avenue, and were driving people from the streets. A body of two hundred and twenty-five picked men, under Capt. Holden, have been sent to disperse the mob. Another report was that the rioters were marching through the boulevards, attacking the Swiss and Italian laborers in the vicinity of One Hundred and Forty-third street and Ninth avenue. Seven companies of the Seventh Regiment, under command of Col. Rockafeller, were sent to the protection of the laborers.

THE MOB CLAMOR FOR ARMS.

At 11:25 A. M. a large number of Irishmen had congregated near the Fenian headquarters on Nineteenth street and Second avenue, this city. The mob clamored loudly for arms. This was peremptorily refused, and they threatened to pull down the place. About one hundred and fifty officers were sent in stages and immediately sent over there.

The Fiftieth regiment armory, in Hester street, a large crowd collected, and signified their intention of taking arms. There were about one hundred of the 50th regiment in the armory, to each of whom were dealt out forty rounds of cartridges. Before the order, seeing that the regiment was prepared for them, one Irishman said, "Come, boys, lets go down to the Seventh ward and get our hats, and we will clean out the d——d Dutch. The majority of the mob have been fared off under the advice of this man to get "the lads."

Prince and Mulberry are with men speaking in whispers, who, when they see any strangers coming, keep silent. There was a report of a fight at the Tompkins Hall, but before the police could get there it was stopped and all was quiet.

12:30 P. M.—An immense mob has collected on Third avenue, near Eighty-third street, and are driving all the men from work. The mob is coming down town. The police force is now being prepared to meet an attack. Two companies of soldiers are just quartered on the upper floor of the BOOTHS in the TENTH AND ELEVENTH PRECINCTS.

12:41 P. M.—Fighting is now going on at the Tenth and Eleventh precincts, and along Bleecker street. The militia have been ordered to Eighth avenue and Forty-second streets, where an attack has been made upon Judge Heiser's house. Large bodies of police have left the stages also.

THE HARPERS' BUILDING ATTACKED

At 1:50 P. M. two Ribbonmen had been killed, and several soldiers and policemen were reported wounded. About this time an attack was made on the Harpers' publishing house, but the mob was repulsed. The conductors of the Eighth Avenue Railroad were pressed into the service of the rioters. The latter have cut the wires of the police telegraph.

THE MILITIA TAKE A HAND IN.

The militia fired into the crowd on the corner of Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue, killing a number; also dispersed a crowd at Hibernian Hall.

3:30 P. M.—The encounter at Twenty-third street and Eighth avenue appears to be quite serious. It is stated that two members of the Ninth regiment and three policemen were killed and a number wounded. Further, that ten or twelve of the mob were killed and a large number wounded.

THE MOB CONCENTRATING—THE NEWSPAPER OFFICES THREATENED.

The mob are apparently concentrating on the west side of the city in the vicinity of Twenty-third street, where the Jersey organizations are to land. Open threats are made by the leaders that they will sack the newspaper offices to-night. The whisky shops are in full blast.

The rioters have cut the police wires, and there is no telegraphic communication with up town and the west side; it is now all done by couriers.

The Feeling in Chicago.

CHICAGO, July 12.—Accounts of the notorious proceedings in New York as they reached this city, caused much excitement. The bulletins of the various journals were scanned with lively interest by large crowds of people. There were some manifestations of violence by the hot-headed ones, but nothing amounting to an affray has taken place up to six o'clock.

EFFECT OF THE RIOT IN ALBANY.

ALBANY, July 12.—News of the riot in New York caused a great sensation here. Orders were issued to close the arsenal and guard it, which was done, though there was no appearance of disorder here.

NIGHT BEFORE THE RIOT.

Scenes at Hibernian and Other Head-quarters—Feeling in the City.

About five hundred of rough and brutal looking characters assembled at Hibernia Hall under the call of the Irish Convention, among them the notorious Tom Herigan, Edward L. Carey, Tom Darcey, and others like unto them.

A committee was appointed to draft an address to the citizens of the United States, correcting the misstatements which have been promulgated as to the objects of the Convention.

Mr. Carey, who has the credit of being the leading spirit of the Hibernians projected attack, said this was not a religious fight; it was a fight between Irishmen and Orangemen. No true Irishman could live in peace with an Orangeman. The Orangemen had taken an oath to support the Queen of Great Britain, and unless they broke that oath they could not be citizens of this country, nor could they be considered true Irishmen.

Among other things, Mr. Carey said that many Protestants belonged to Hibernia societies. He thanked God that no Catholics were Orangemen.

During his speech Carey was often interrupted by most uproarious applause, and at times some of the more excitable of the audience interrupted him with insulting expressions.

Before the meeting adjourned there was a grand row. Pistols, knives, several rough clubs were badly handled.

The first fight occurred. It was a small one, but straws show the way the wind blows. Patrick Connolly, an Irish Catholic, was standing this evening, with a number of others of the same race and creed, at the corner of Center and Pearl streets, whenthe subject of the parades came under discussion. He said he saw no reason why the Orangemen had not as much right to parade as any other class of citizens. He had seen the Orangemen when they were not a match behind with a heavy tumbler, crushing his skull. He felt insensible, and was set upon by the crowd with fist and bludgeon, and shamefully. He was finally rescued by the police, but whether from fear or from inability, the narrators were mute.

Jas. W. Gould, Master of Prince of Orange Lodge No. 1, said: "You can tell the Hibernians that we are as ready at the new order of things as at the old, and even more so. We are poor men; we have not had the opportunity to get rich in this country. Emancipists, and for those reasons our right to walk the streets have been taken away. That order of Superintendent Kelso is more for the benefit and effort of our own could possibly effect. It will be a power in the land, and in the end it will be allowed to parade when and where we please.

"That officer killed the Democratic organization one year ago, and it has crippled the power and the influence of Tammany Hall in national politics for all time to come. They whole people are with us. We have reason to rejoice.

No class of citizens feel more severely the injury done to the Irish people by preventing the orange parade than the Fenians.

The leaders of the Brotherhood held several informal caucuses to-day, and condemned the action of Mayor Hall and Superintendent Kelso. They say that while they are opposed to Orangemen, because they regard them as allies of the British Government, they are ready to protect them in their right to march through the streets like other bodies of men.

The feeling on this was so strong among some of the Irish liberators that they held a secret session at their armories. No. 25 First avenue. The principal members of the Fenian Council were present.

Mr. W. J. Heffernan, editor of the *American Cat*, said that, while he differed with the Orangemen, he felt bound, as an American citizen, to concede their right to parade and celebrate any event they thought proper. The authorities in promulgating the procession did so on their own responsibility, and the Irish people had nothing to do with it. In fact he knew he represented the feelings of the Brotherhood. He was in favor of taking such steps as would result in bringing the Orangemen to the ranks of the Irish Nationalists and burying the disastrous and disgraceful feuds which have divided Irishmen for a century.

The speaker then denounced the course pursued by the superintendent of Police.

Early before the session began, a paper was circulated among the members of the Produce Exchange. It was a call for a meeting to be held as soon as the business of the day was over, for the purpose of expressing the indignation of the body at the pusillanimous policy of Mayor Hall and Superintendent Kelso. The paper asserted in the preamble the undoubted right of the Orangemen to parade and picnic to-day. And called for the signatures of all members who were in accord with this sentiment.

While it was circulating about the room the greatest eagerness was manifested by the gentlemen present to obtain and sign it. As a member expressed it, they almost trampled on each other in their attempts to reach the document.

While the scene was going on knots of people were gathered in all directions, discussing the great event which is agitating the entire State, and expressions of contempt for the powers that be but dare not act, found vent in emphatic if not very choice language.

The excitement was intense, and there was no attempt made to curb the indignant resentment which actuated every member.

Several merchants expressed themselves in anything but ambiguous terms, as to the ruinous results which must flow from this untimely yielding to the power of the mob.

One gentleman said: "I am a Catholic myself, and a firm believer in the faith, but I am utterly opposed to interfering with the Orangemen, who have the same right to use the streets for their parade, as their opponents, the Hibernian Societies."

The declaration was received with loud applause. A resolution was passed appointing a committee of six, who, in conjunction with the President, shall present a copy of the resolutions denunciatory of the Mayor's policy at an adjourned meeting of the Board.

THE CRISIS.

How the Riot Came About—The Introductory Scenes of the Drama—The Timidity of the City Authorities—Expressions of Public Opinion.

Never, since the bloody riots of 1863, has the city of New York been in such a perfect state of excitement as at present. For many days the proposed Orange parade, and the counter "target excursion" of the Irish Catholics, have been almost the sole topics of conversation among the people of the city, being unanimous in the belief that a dreadful conflict was inevitable, unless the protection of the police and military authorities were thrown around the Orangemen, the nature and objects of the Society have been misapprehended in many quarters.

WHAT ORANGEISM MEANS—THE CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN ORDER—THE AIMS AND PURPOSES OF THE ORGANIZATION.

The Loyal Orange Institution of the United States of America is formed by persons desirous of supporting to the utmost of their power the principles and precepts of the Protestant religion, to maintain the laws and Constitution of this country, afford assistance to their brethren agreeable to the order, and otherwise promote such laudable and benevolent purposes as may tend to the due ordering of religion and Christian charity, and the supremacy of law, order and constitutional freedom. It lays no claim to exclusive Protestantism or exclusive loyalty, but it admits no man or body of men within its pale whose creed is not Protestant and whose principles are not loyal. Disclaiming an intolerant spirit, the Institution demands as a fundamental, visible qualification, "That the candidate shall be believed to be incapable of persecuting or injuring any person on account of his religious opinion."—the duty of every Orangeman being to aid and defend all loyal citizens of every religious persuasion in the enjoyment of their constitutional rights. The rules of the Institution are open not only to the members of the Society, but to the community; there is no reserve except the signs and symbols whereby Orangemen know each other.

PREVIOUS OUTRAGES—IMPOTENCE OF THE ARCHBISHOP AND HIS CLERGY.

So much for the principles of the Society. It has been customary for the various lodges of the order to hold an annual parade on the 12th of July, the anniversary of the battle of the Boyne. Last year, during the celebration, it will be remembered, a brutal attack was made upon the procession of the Order, their wives and children, by a number of workmen employed on the Boulevard, and receiving pay from the city. It is probable that, had the law been fully carried out on that occasion, a large force of the riot properly punished, no threats of interfering with the procession would this year have been made. Whether this supposition be correct, or not, however, it is certain that, from the earliest moment at which it was decided to hold a celebration, the Catholic organizations of the city openly expressed their intention of attacking and killing the participants, and that for the purpose of forwarding such avowed purpose, they have held numerous secret meetings for organization and concert of action. At the first of these meetings, held on the evening of June 30th, when a day for parading was first discussed by delegates, it is reported that every one present in the room displayed a weapon, the majority of them navy revolvers. And although the Archbishop and the Catholic clergy generally throughout the diocese implored and urged the members of their congregations to have nothing to do with the Orangemen, it was plain that their advice was thrown away, and that nothing except an overwhelming display of military force could prevent them from carrying out their fiendish purposes.

DUPLEX CHARACTER OF THE ARCHBISHOP'S ADDRESS—MODERATION OF THE ORANGEMEN.

It is to be remarked, also, that the tenor of Archbishop McCloskey's address, while in all respects deserving of all praise, tended to deepen the feeling of animosity against the Orangemen by improperly characterizing the parade in question as an attempt to outrage the feelings of Catholic citizens, and demanding that it should be suppressed. This was not true. The Orangemen had been careful to state that they would neither carry banners nor play airs repugnant to their Catholic fellow citizens, and had even announced that they would avoid such localities as were principally settled with adherents of the Catholic Church.

THE KEY-NOTE OF THE BUSINESS—TENETS OF THE INFALLIBILITY DOCTRINE.

The key-note of the whole matter may be said to lie in the recent declaration of Father Hecker, made through the leading Catholic organ of this country, that "while Rome rules, we will not be ruled by them only in virtue and by permission of the superior authority, and that authority can only be expressed through the Church—that is, through the organ of the infallible pronouncement of the Pope"—a doctrine asserted, regardless of temporal consequences. The terrorism and threatened massacre may be taken as the logical results of this assumption, while the letter of Mayor Hall to the Grand Master of the Society, declaring the procession illegal, and that the order of Superintendent Kelso forbidding it, afford pretty fair illustrations of its acceptance.

SUPERINTENDENT KELSO'S ORDER—INDIGNATION OF THE FREE PRESS—THE TRIBUNE ON THE SURRENDER TO THE MOB.

The promulgation of this order aroused the people and press of New York to a greater degree of indignation than has been manifested since the time when Governor Seymour addressed the rioters as his "friends." The *Tribune* of Tuesday said of it:

"The General Order of the Chief of Police, published in the *Tribune* this morning, and issued to him by a higher authority, and only signed by Mr. Kelso. The mob and its friends have ordered our amiable Mayor to put down the parade of the Orangemen, and he has consented in this roundabout way. He furnishes the machinery, and the Chief of Police has probably little to do but to sign his name. We must not be misunderstood. We have no sympathy with the principles or purpose of the Orangemen's parade. It seems to us not the par of wisdom nor propriety for natives of foreign countries who have come here under a free constitution, and become patriotic citizens of the Republic, to bring on as bloody a fight as the bitter and jealousies and animosities of their former home. But that does not affect the question of the duty of the city authorities to preserve the peace on the day of the parade. The Orange parade, nauseousness and ill-advised as it is, is not an unexceptional occurrence. It is as much entitled to protection as the recent Germa nparade, or the French fête, and is more properly a legal manifestation than the various Fenian displays we have often witnessed. Every one of these demonstrations excited, of course, even bitter feelings and reflections among those who opposed the cause they celebrated. But we never thought of preventing them lest some hot-headed objector should throw a brick at the banners? We can imagine the sort of countenance our Mayor would have presented if a delegation of the Orangemen had come before him proposed to him to prohibit the German parade, out of regard to their national sweetspittingness. Yet he has done a manner and more unlawful thing in the case. He has arbitrarily forced a body of citizens to give up a peaceable and lawful manifestation at the bidding of a handful of riotous brawlers, who threaten murder and disorder if their barbarous fancies are not complied with. But the order itself, which could have dictated this shameful action, is but the last link in the law-breakers of Wednesday are more numerous and valuable voting-stock than those they propose to attack. The last, and not least, of the evils we have suffered from the late outbreak, which is a nursery of crimes and shames, is this enforced surrender of the right of the people to parade in a peaceful manner. The mob, now has no check upon its arrogance and its greed.

REASONS OF THE CRIMES—"TIMES"—WHAT THE CITY OF NEW YORK EXPENDS FIFTY MILLIONS A YEAR FOR —"A RULE OF PRIESTS AND ROWDIES."

"The order demonstrates that the city authorities dare not disobey the commands of the Catholic hierarchy. In other words, it is settled as a rule that whenever the Catholics object to a procession, that procession shall not be allowed to march. This is the reason why says Superintendent Kelso in his circular, "that armed preparations for the 12th have been made by the members of the parading lodges." Now what has been given out is that armed preparations for *attack* have been made. The Catholics are the worry in the position of the lamb in the fable of the *Wolf and the Lamb*. Kelso and his associates go them the design of the wolf. Mr. Kelso condemns street processions generally. Surely it is rather late in the day to make this a rule, as in the circular based on St. Patrick's Day? Why is it that Irish Catholic processions are allowed every year? The reason has always been plain, and it is now plainer than ever. The city authorities are afraid of their own supporters. They now still more plainly that the city is absolutely in the hands of the Irish Catholics, they dare not undertake to do or to preserve the public peace when the Catholics threaten to break it. It is for this that we are taxed more heavily than in any other city in the country—it is for this sort of government that we are made to expend over fifty millions a year. Four out of four of our city rulers are bigoted Roman Catholics, the men who prop up the city government are Roman Catholics, and the Protestant citizens and Protestants have only such rights as Catholics choose to accord them. We are officially informed that we are under the rule of priests and rowdies. Protestants may be allowed to walk the streets in two and three's, but not to march in a body or in procession. If they do, the Catholics will come down upon them and put them to pieces. This is the city of citizens' rights, disguised, gradually the thing are disclosing to the people the real nature of their rule."

THE HERALD AROUSED—THE INSOLENT DICTATION MUST BE SUPPRESSED, AND THE MAJESTY OF THE LAW UPHELD.

"No condemnation of the riot which was threatened to-morrow can be too severe, and no words of burning scorn can fully convey the general detestation of the contemplated outrage. In a country where all men are equal, where the panoply of liberty is over all, where freedom of opinion, of speech and of action is accorded to all, the slightest invasion of the rights of any is a fit subject for rebuke. When such invasion of the rights of others takes the form of dictation from a few men prescribing the course and action for a part of the people and threatening disorder and bloodshed in case that dictation is not heeded, it be made in terms as unmistakable as language can convey it. Such is the meaning of the

NEWS SUMMARY

BY TELEGRAPH.

The third anniversary of the Jewish Orphan Asylum is being held in Cleveland. Many prominent Israelites from different parts of the country are present. The annual report contains the following items: Amount received during the year from donations, including legacies, $11,176; from ladies' auxiliary associations, $5,868; from various lodges of the order, $5,516; from yearly subscriptions, $5,020. The number of annual subscribers is about 1,500. There are forty-eight lodges of the Bnai Brith in the district, with 2,300 members.

Miss Rachael Lennington, an intelligent and highly respectable young lady of Aurora, Illinois, committed suicide Tuesday afternoon by taking a large dose of strychnine. Her mother died just one year ago. She had recently been visiting a brother in Chicago, and went to her home in Aurora with the evident purpose of sacrificing herself on the first anniversary of her mother's death. Just before her death she seemed unusually happy, and laughed and chatted cheerfully. John J. Walker, a highly esteemed citizen of Aurora, was summoned by the coroner to set on the body in Miss Lennington's case, and while proceeding to the house where the inquest was held, ruptured a blood vessel and died in three hours.

A little son of Isaac Thomas, of Shilling's crossing, Mercer county, on the Erie and Pittsburgh Railroad, was run over and killed by a train of cars yesterday. The boy was deaf and dumb.

One of the buildings of the Port Richmond Iron Works, at Philadelphia, was struck by lightning Tuesday night, caught fire and was burned down. The loss was covered by insurance.

George W. and Theodore F. Bradley, who on the 17th of May last robbed the Adams Express office at Columbus of $40,000, plead guilty in the Court of Common Pleas at Columbus yesterday, and were sentenced each to four years' imprisonment in the penitentiary.

The statement telegraphed over the country that Senator John A. Logan was seriously ill, is contradicted. He was in Chicago on Tuesday, apparently in good health.

CRIME.

CHICAGO, July 12.—The trial of Ambrose B. Coe, for the brutal murder of Miss Abbie Summers, a school teacher, at Palmyra, Mo., some months since, and which was set down for trial this week, has been continued until October. The defense will be insanity, although Coe has been sane enough since committing the murder.

George Vanderpool, who has already been twice tried for the murder of George Fields, at Manistee, Mich., some fifteen months since, will enter upon his third trial on the first of August, in Barry county. Mich. Judge Upton has been removed. George Vanderpool has written a letter to Ed. Secord, of Newark, asking him to solicit subscriptions in that place to carry on his trial, as his lawyers have announced that unless more money is supplied they cannot go on with the case. It is also announced through the public journals that two leading counsel have withdrawn from the suit, and efforts are now being made to secure eminent counsel to take their places. It is said that the prosecution has in its possession all the witnesses for the defense on being furnished with a list of them, and that, if it is true, he has been cutting to his bed by sickness, and is very much dejected by the action of his counsel. Mrs. Vanderpool is also sick and unable to attend her husband. She remains at the jail.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

NARROW-GAUGE IN ARKANSAS.

LITTLE ROCK, July 12.—The Central Railroad has decided to cross White river at Aberdeen. The engineer corps are this side of the river coming this way. Work will be pushed with a force of two hundred men from Helena to the river by the 10th of September. A new road was incorporated to-day by Col. Dorsey, Judge Hunks and others for a three-foot gauge, to run down from Helena on the levee twenty-five miles below.

BANKRUPTCY CASE.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 12.—The consideration of the Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Lafayette Railroad bankruptcy case was resumed in the United States District Court, before Judge Gresham, to-day. It is probable a decision will not be reached for several days. Hon. George E. Pugh, D. T. Wright, Matthews and Ramsey, of Cincinnati; Henry Crawford, of Chicago, and Judge Hall, of Indianapolis, are counsel for the plaintiffs, and Judge Headley, ex-Governor Cox, of Ohio, and ex-Senator Hendricks and Judge Hines, of Indiana, for the defendants.

AMATEUR PRESS ASSOCIATION.

Fifth Annual Convention—Meeting at the Monongahela House—List of Officers Elected—Change in the Name of the Association—The Convention to Meet in Philadelphia Next Year.

The Amateur Press Association of the United States, composed of the youthful editors and publishers, who are now managing creditably "chops papers" in several parts of the country, held its fifth annual meeting, at the Monongahela House, this city, for two days, commencing on Tuesday.

The Convention was organized at half-past three o'clock, Mr. E. Howard Hutchinson, of Buffalo, N. Y., Presiding.

Mr. J. F. Osgood, of Chelsea, Mass., the Secretary, being absent, on motion Mr. C. C. Lovejoffer, of New Orleans, was chosen to serve *pro tem.*

LIST OF DELEGATES.

The following gentlemen were in attendance at the Convention: E. Howard Hutchinson, Buffalo, N. Y.; Chas. McCoin, Cleveland, O.; W. H. Downes, Birmingham, Conn.; J. P. Osgood, Chelsea, Mass.; W. F. Dwight, Chicago, Ill.; B. C. Cuvelier, New Orleans; F. K. Morrell, Chicago, Ill.; W. H. Dennis, Washington, D. C.; A. B. Ayres, Cleveland, O.; H. E. Greenebaum, Chicago, Ill.; F. F. Temple, North Somerville, Mass.; R. E. Tilley, Boston; C. L. Rodgers, Jr., Cleveland, O.; J. Stewart, H. Berkowitz, G. A. Hays, S. G. Canfield, S. F. Murphy and John A. Fox, Pittsburgh; G. W. Foster, Canada; Wilmer Carrier and Miss Lee Leukens, of Brinton Station, Pennsylvania Railroad. Each delegate was entitled to the publication of which they were either editor or publisher.

THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION.

On motion of Mr. FOX, the name of the association was changed to the "National Amateur Press Association."

The Treasurer reported collections from members, as dues, the sum of $80 26 to which was added $30 by voluntary contributions, making a total of $110 26 in the hands of the Treasurer.

The report was accepted and approved.

On motion it was decided to hold the next Convention in Philadelphia, the Chairman to fix the date hereafter.

IMMORAL ADVERTISEMENTS DISCOUNTENANCED.

The following resolution was offered and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the National Amateur Press Association does not approve of the use of, or the use of, ungentlemanly language by amateur editors, or of the insertion of immoral advertisements in their papers, and papers which make a practice of inserting such matter, are disowned by this association.

Before the Convention was added as an amendment to the original resolution.

The Secretary read the resignation of George B. Smith, of Toledo, Ohio, which was, on motion, accepted and filed, and on motion, W. T. Dwight, of Chicago, was elected.

Letters of regret at being unable to attend the Convention were read from eighteen members of the Association.

"Our Boys," a beautifully printed paper, edited and published at Chicago, by Miss K. S. Morrill, at $1 per year, was declared the official organ of the Association.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the officers of the Association to confer with the railroad company in regard to issuing passes to members desiring to attend the annual conventions.

Appropriate and entertaining addresses were now made by Messrs. Hutchinson, President, Dwight, Cuveller and Temple, after which the Convention adjourned *sine die*, having been in session three days.

Before concluding our report, we desire to add that the Association "banqueted" themselves before getting out of town. The parlors of the Monongahela House, serving an excellent dinner to twenty-eight in a room by themselves, where multitude toasts were offered and responded to by means of "water" instead of wine.

The Secretary, Mr. Osgood, mentioned elsewhere, died with the gentlemen, and their presence lent grace and dignity to the occasion. The number of the delegates left for their homes last evening.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

The officers of the Association are as follows: President—E. Howard Hutchinson, Buffalo, New York.

First Vice President—Charles McCoin, Cleveland, Ohio.

Second Vice President—Wm. H. Downes, Birmingham, Connecticut.

Secretary—Joseph F. Osgood, Chelsea, Massachusetts.

Treasurer—W. T. Dwight, Chicago, Illinois.

THE AFFRAY AT THE ROBINSON HOUSE.

Information for Felonious Assault and Battery Lodged.

Richard McCullough, waiter at the Robinson House, appeared before Mayor Brush yesterday morning to make information against Henry Keys, who stabbed, and it is supposed fatally injured Reddy Cobb, head waiter at the Robinson House, on Liberty parallels, of which were given yesterday. The Mayor and his clerk, Mr. Jas. S. Patterson, had previously visited the injured man, at the hotel, for the purpose of ascertaining the nature of his wounds, and in such a low condition as to render the taking of the affidavit impossible.

The affray occurred between Cobb's back below the lowest rib, and then torn out and flung some distance. The wound is of such a nature that Dr.

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REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL,
Col. DAVID STANTON, of Beaver county.

FOR SURVEYOR GENERAL,
Col. ROBERT B. BEATH, of Schuylkill.

COUNTY TICKET.

STATE SENATE.
JAMES L. GRAHAM, Allegheny.
MILES S. HUMPHREYS, South Pittsburgh.

ASSEMBLY.
DAVID N. WHITE, Sewickley.
MATTHEW EDWARDS, Pittsburgh.
JAMES TAYLOR, Pittsburgh.
JOHN GILLFILLAN, Upper St. Clair.
ALEXANDER MILLAR, McKeesport.
J. W. BALLENTINE, Temperanceville.
HYDE K. SAMPLE, Shaler.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
THOMAS M. BAYNE, Believue.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
J. B. FLACK, Pittsburgh.

COMMISSIONERS.
JOSEPH DILWORTH, Pittsburgh.
JAMES McGUNNEGLE, Chartiers.

TREASURER.
SAMUEL KILGORE, Pittsburgh.

CONTROLLER.
HENRY WARNER, Allegheny.

SURVEYOR.
ROBERT CLUGSTON, Pittsburgh.

POOR DIRECTOR.
JAMES G. MURRAY, Upper St. Clair.

THE vacancy in the License Board was filled yesterday by the appointment of J. HARVEY ROBB, Esq., of Scott township. Mr. ROBB is a worthy citizen, and competent to discharge the duties faithfully and intelligently.

THE City Executive Committee yesterday fixed upon Saturday, September 2, as the time for nominating candidates for Mayor, Controller and Treasurer. The nominations will be made by ballot, as was done three years ago.

THE public may naturally be assumed to feel some little interest in the fortunes of ROCHEFORT, as they once rather admired him. In prison and waiting for trial, his prospects have lately been brightened a little by the intercession of a priest, the Abbe CROZE. Imprisoned by the Commune, the Abbe was released in consequence of the following letter from ROCHEFORT:

"MY DEAR COLLEAGUE—I had resolved to ask for nothing from the Communists, but they have imprisoned a worthy abbe who formerly sweetened my lot at Mazas (prison). Try to have him released; you will render me a personal service."

Thus are kind acts propagated. It is rather pleasant to hear anything good of ROCHEFORT.

THE Communist Chief FELIX PYAT appears to have shown admirable ingenuity in selecting a disguise by which to evade the pursuit of the police; no other dress could have so effectually allayed suspicion. He assumed, they say, the costume of a priest, receiving even tonsure after the most severe style, and not only said mass on occasions, but caused prayers to be offered for the repose of persons who fell as victims of the Commune. In this manner he is said to have escaped into Switzerland. The story is thought improbable not only by his friends but his enemies, and pursuit of him is still kept up.

THE License Board met Tuesday and disposed of the seventeenth list, numbering thirty-seven cases, of which twenty-two were refused, eight dismissed and seven granted. One or two lists still remain to be heard before the year's business is finished. Thus far, seventeen hundred and twenty-four applications have been heard, of which fifteen hundred and thirty were finally granted. Four hundred and thirty-eight were originally refused, but of this number two hundred and forty-four were granted on rehearing, leaving one hundred and ninety-four finally refused. A large number of applications were for the month of April only, so that the number of licensed houses in the county is perhaps no higher than that of last year—thirteen hundred and forty-three.

TWENTY-FIVE HUNDRED WOMEN convicted of having taken part in the attempt to burn Paris, will sail in a few days from Toulon for New Caledonia. It is interesting to know that the insurgents transported to that distant island, already a French penal colony, will not be mingled with the convicts now there, but will be kept together in districts assigned to them. Each district of a thousand souls will be under the surveillance of a company of marine infantry soldiers, commanded by a captain. The transported will be classified by categories, such as the less guilty, the more dangerous, etc., and each of these classes will be kept by itself. The worst of the culprits of the Commune will be transported some of them to Cayenne and others to Algeria, where they will have a much harder life than those sent to New Caledonia. Indeed, it is affirmed that the position of those who shall behave well in the latter place, will differ but little from the position of voluntary emigrants.

CONSIDERABLE sensation has been occasioned in Paris lately by the arrival of one of Mr. COOK's contract parties of English tourists. This man is what the French call "an organizer of travels." Having received fourteen pounds sterling a head, COOK conducts his "constituents," whether few or many, to Paris, where he lodges them together, feeds them together, conveys them together in omnibuses, and acts as their guide to the ruins and all other objects and places of interest in the city. Twenty make up a comfortable party, we are told. Arrived at the station of the Northern Railway, COOK at once began to discourse on the events of which the place had lately been the theater, neither speaker nor patrons in the least apparently disturbed by the irritated looks and satirical remarks of the curious French crowd which soon gathered around them. COOK is described as "a very small man, lean and alert, who speaks with fantastic rapidity." He and his British sight-seers will enable the French to add largely to their cabinet of English peculiarities and eccentricities. We must add that COOK is an Englishman who has been engaged for some years in the business; unless we mistake, he has escorted parties even to Palestine.

IN the champions of the Commune there was a strange medley of nationalities. As we remarked weeks ago, just as the friends of order hurried from Paris, the leaders of riot in every country of Europe hastened thither. Russians, Poles, Germans, Englishmen, Swiss: each of these nations was well represented in the ranks of the Commune. But for General CLUSERET, who claims to be a citizen of the United States, this country would hardly have been named in connection with the frightful reign of unreason. We may not assume, however, that Americans were not engaged in the ranks. We may congratulate ourselves that there were few of them, and of these perhaps the most were involved by the mere accident of association. On the other hand, the Swiss Republic was abundantly represented at Paris. Mr. KERN, the Swiss Minister, has informed his Government that up to the 4th of June sixty of his compatriots had been arrested as having taken part in the insurrection, but that a certain number of them had been proved innocent and set at liberty. Those who remain prisoners are allowed to be detained at Satory and at Saint Cyr, instead of being sent to the seaport cities. Most of these prisoners belong, Mr. KERN says, to the cantons of Tessin and Vallois.

Arma virumque cano; which, being liberally interpreted, means the relation of Tammany to the armories of New York. That this is of the most close and intimate character may be judged from a recent exposé of the matter. Two years ago, in that city twenty-four places rented for armories, ostensibly for the use of the various regiments of the National Guard. Of these, only fourteen are occupied. For these fourteen a rental of $190,600 is annually paid. For the remaining ten, rented, paid for and not occupied, the sum of $85,500 is paid. For still another place, which is let to other parties by the lessor, who is the former business partner of TWEED, the city pays $6,000, making the total amount paid for places of which only a little over half are used, $281,100, or a little over $20,000 each. It is estimated that the fourteen buildings actually used, would bring, at a very liberal rental, $46,600, leaving as a balance from the amount now paid, the nice little sum of $234,500. These are stable profits, at least a portion of them, no less than eight stable lofts being among the number of "armories" thus hired. No wonder that FISK and his military compeers have a hogshish tooth for TWEED. Five of these places thus selected are principally occupied as saloons for the sale of liquors, that being a very important adjunct of the Tammany Commissariat. What a beautiful picture of economy, sobriety and morality is thus presented. O for a poet whose genius should be equal to the task of singing, as it ought to be sung, and immortalizing as it deserves to be immortalized, this new and glorious epic of Arms and the Man!

THE PRINCIPLE AND THE CRISIS.

The action of the Mayor and Superintendent of the Police proves how completely are the authorities in New York under the domination of the mob, and how ready they are, when a Catholic Archbishop calls on them, to suppress a parade or gathering offensive to the Roman Catholics. Archbishop MCCLOSKEY called on Catholics to abstain from violence and the authorities to "prevent" the offensive demonstration. The latter responded, but it appears that the former did not. Coupled as was the injunction to abstain from violence with the Bishop's demand for the suppression of the Orangemen, and the scarcely concealed claim that while Roman Catholics were entitled to the privilege of parading, Orangemen were not, it was hardly to be expected that, even after the prompt action of Governor HOFFMAN setting aside the orders of the dominated local authorities, rescinding their act of surrender to the mob and guaranteeing to all citizens equal protection, that the Bishop's appeal should be heeded, even if it was intended it should be. The Archbishop may not have so intended, but his idea of peace on the part of his people appeared to be qualified by the arbitrary and totally impossible demand for the suppression of the Orange parade. And so it was doubtless understood by very many, for very many, if not the greater body of those whom he addressed, have so acted. Otherwise we are to believe that the Archbishop of New York is powerless to restrain his people from organized lawlessness and premeditated riot and bloodshed. Without doubt the surrender by the local authorities seriously complicated affairs, and made enforcement of the laws impossible by Governor HOFFMAN.

It may be worth while to contemplate the subject for a moment from this point. The facts and circumstances show clearly to all men precisely the nature of the Power which for a day dominated the local authorities of New York and compelled this surrender, the spirit which actuates it, its aims and purposes, how much real liberty there can be under its domination, and how the much used and abused phrases, Freedom of Conscience, Toleration of Faith and Security of Person and Property, become biting sarcasm under its supremacy.

The course of Governor HOFFMAN, and equally that of Governor RANDOLPH, of New Jersey, is the only one that could be thought of by these, not already under this Power. The expediency of the Orange procession may not be clear, but it was their right to march and carry their banners, and they were entitled to all the protection which the Municipal, State and National authorities could give them. Indeed, however unwise in its inception, the Orange procession having been determined on, it became a supreme necessity that the entire performance should go through to the end, for there was a principle in it which could not be abridged a hair's breadth, without being surrendered.

This is no time for inflammatory appeals, but it is the very time to assert boldly and stand firmly by this vital principle. It is as precious to Catholics as Protestants—it is the essence of our free government, and he is an enemy who would lift a finger to oppose it, and he who, if necessary, would not fight for it, is something less than a friend to American Liberty.

THE DESPISED "COFFEE MILLS."

Among the numberless inventions of a military character to which the exigences of our civil war gave rise was a machine gun known as the GATLING bullet battery. Several of these "coffee mills," as they were derisively nicknamed, were for a brief period in use in the Army of the Potomac. They never grew into favor, however, being universally pooh-poohed as ridiculous playthings, and after a comparatively short time were, under pressure of prejudice, withdrawn from service as failures. From that date little was heard of them, or of their sanguine inventor, until the period of the Franco-Prussian war, which, from the great execution said to have been wrought by the French mitrailleuse, embracing precisely the same principle, again brought them into notice. Dr. GATLING appears to have employed the interval in carefully perfecting his invention, which would seem at last to have proved a thorough success. Two of the improvements thus made, relating to its charging mechanism and carriage, are of especial value. The first of these consists in a cylindrical apparatus termed a "drum feed," which contains the cartridges, numbering 400. With the agency of but one man, through the action of the new feed, these 400 shots can be fired in a single minute, while to reload requires simply the attachment of a fresh cylinder, an operation consuming but but a few moments. The second new feature is the application of an automatic traversing apparatus to the carriage, which, operated by a crank, causes the battery to traverse through a maximum angle of six degrees. This angle, which is sufficiently extensive to give a scattering fire, can be diminished as the rage demands, or the apparatus being thrown out of gear, retains a fixed direction.

A commission, composed of seven distinguished officers of the British army, appointed by the Government for the special purpose of investigating and reporting upon its effectiveness and adaptability to field service, has recently, after subjecting the invention to a series of severe and exhaustive competitive trials, pronounced a verdict so decidedly in its favor that it is now understood to be adopted as a distinctive feature of the British armament. In the various trials the work laid out was such as to test its capacities in the several respects of length of range, precision of fire, and strength of penetration. Its competitors were a Belgian machine gun, known as the Montigny mitrailleuse, nine and twelve-pounder English field guns of the best type, charged with shrapnel, six Martini-Henry breech-loading rifles, and a similar number of Snyder Enfields. The target distances varied from 300 to 1,400 yards, and the results attained were in every instance vastly in favor of the American invention over its Belgian copy, in the hits scored, while its superiority over the English rifles and field guns was still more conspicuous. It is expected that, with an increase of bore, this superiority can be maintained at much longer ranges; but there seems to be no question that, as a means of pouring a steady stream of bullets on troops or positions within a range of fourteen or fifteen hundred yards, it is at present without a rival. One great advantage which it possesses is, that being constructed on the interchangeable principle, should any piece or section of the mechanism be found faulty, it can be at once instantly repaired by the introduction of a new member, even upon the field of battle. It can also be worked by men who know absolutely nothing of its construction, beyond a simple manual as easily learned as the manual of arms. It appears to be growing into general European favor, a number of Governments having already incorporated it into their military armaments, an example which, should war unfortunately break out between the United States and any other power, we shall in all probability be compelled to follow. This is another illustration of the costly foolishness of condemning a thing for its apparent oddity, and because it happens to be an innovation upon popular ideas. Dr. GATLING's gun was never fairly tried by the military authorities of this country. The officers appointed to test its value were prejudiced against it as a mere new fangled notion, which vitiated their impressions accordingly. Had the inventor received the encouragement that he really deserved, we should have been spared the humiliation of seeing the stone which we rejected become in other countries the head of the corner, and the pang of being compelled to accept as a necessity that which we refused to receive as an honorable gift.

IT is not too late to refer to the excesses of rage and cruelty of which the French soldiers were guilty, when dealing with the Communists. The fact deserves careful registry as a part of the history of the time, as from the exasperation among the poorer classes of France and Europe, produced by this wholesale butchery, the world is likely not soon to hear the last of it. At first the statements concerning the slaughter were denounced as fabrications; at length they seem attested in a manner to entitle them to credit. Thus a Paris correspondent of the *Courrier de San Francisco* writes as follows:

"The people of Paris who were proud of their capital, are plunged in the greatest gloom and indignation; the women especially (as usual) are exasperated, and the position of those who shared the ideas of the Commune, is truly precarious; their existence depends on a very little thing. Very few of those who fought will be able to escape, and once taken, they are executed summarily; it is a veritable human hecatomb. Unfortunately, and I have proof of it, as always happens in like cases, the innocent have been mixed up with the guilty. It is heartrending."

A Paris correspondent of the *Courrier des Etats-Unis* tells a still more terrible story. The engineers, he says, during many days did nothing from morning to night but dig deep ditches in the Monceau park. The dead were taken to the Morgue in wagon loads.

"At Ratignolles" the writer says, "I saw seventeen hundred insurgents slaughtered at one time by means of mitrailleuses. In all they have slain eighteen thousand of them. Take notice, I do not speak of those who, during battle, were killed behind barricades. There is not a word of all this in the French newspapers. Will they ever write the true history of the days of May?"

In such statements there is necessarily considerable exaggeration. Some inaccuracy is inevitable. But after making due allowance for these, we may safely rest in the belief that those days of May witnessed strange doings which will not soon be forgotten by the class whose poverty and miseries make it pleasant for them to dream of vengeance.

Statistics of Our Commerce.

The monthly report of the Bureau of Statistics of our foreign trade for the first ten months of the current fiscal year, shows that for the ten months ending April 30, 1871, the exports and the imports are $13,372,123, while for the corresponding period of 1870 the imports are in excess of the exports to the amount of $7,084,492. The following are the figures:

	Imports.	Exports. Domestic.	Exports. Foreign
April 1871	$ 50,699,395	$ 48,001,667	$ 2,006,457
April 1870	46,494,984	43,314,845	2,152,228
Ten months, 1871	434,685,677	423,820,619	24,136,241
Ten months, 1870	381,017,350	348,777,231	23,855,251

The specie values are given for domestic exports.

The respective amounts of the total value, (specie value) consisting of merchandise and of specie and bullion, are given as follows:

	Merchandise.	Specie & bullion.
Merchandise, 1871	$417,430,644	$ 259,288,246
Merchandise, 1870	356,792,057	216,004,700
Specie & bullion, 1871	17,255,513	64,541,374
Specie & bullion, 1870	25,450,598	32,777,047

The value of foreign commodities remaining in warehouse April 30, 1871, was $68,884,488 against $55,794,102, April 30, 1870.

THE opinion expressed by Judge Carpenter of Charleston, S. C., in his testimony before the Investigating Committee, that the Ku-Klux were persons of high respectability, instead of men of low character, as has generally been supposed, is quite possibly true. At least the Judge has the usual facility for ascertaining what class of people they are. Elected as a Republican Judge, he was the Democratic candidate for Governor last fall, and is doubtless deep in the confidence of those who voted for him! Query: Was the Democratic candidate for Lieutenant Governor, who is a gentleman of "high respectability," a member of the order? Some two years ago this gentleman was interviewed by a stranger, who, relating in the strictest confidence that he had "killed a nigger" in the up country, and was fleeing to Georgia to escape the consequences, induced his sympathizing auditor to purchase his horse, that he might have funds with which to pursue his journey. The next day it was ascertained that the crime of the plausible stranger was not that of murder, but of horse stealing, and that the steed which the General had bought had shortly before been stolen from one of his own political friends. This story he often tells upon himself, but explains away its ugly features by saying that what he did was done as a lawyer. What is Carpenter's opinion about it, now?

THE recent blood-curdling sea horror of the burning to death of nearly six hundred Coolies in the hold of the ship Don Juan has directed attention to the trade in Coolies and laborers of a similar class; and we are glad to observe that the shameful practice of the Queensland planters in kidnapping the simple-minded Polynesian islanders, and transporting them to Queensland to supply the demand for slave labor, a matter to which we have of late more than once referred, is undergoing exposure and denunciation. This disgraceful traffic has been carried on for years, but while under the name which has been enacted to regulate the business, every men engaging in it is compelled to give bonds to take no person without his consent, and to return him at the expiration of three years, he is in fact and in exactly made slaves for life; worthless bonds being generally given, and the laborer, at the close of three years, being always shown in debt to his employer, and retained for further servitude. It is also said that the treatment of the emigrants on the passage is as cruel as was that of Africans on slave ships during the flourishing days of that infamous trade. Where is English philanthropy, and the ghost of Wilberforce?

SOME weeks ago, shortly after the publication of Mr. Greeley's letter in the New York *Tribune*, description of his interview with Alexander H. Stevens, that gentleman publicly accused the correspondent of breach of faith in reporting the conversation. Mr. Greeley now declares that with the exception of the sentence in which Mr. Stevens praised the civilization of Georgia as the most perfect in the world, he literally adhered to the understanding had with that gentleman; but that, since the opinion in question was not in the slightest of a political bearing, he concluded it would not be distasteful to its author to see it in print. The correspondent adds that in thus restricting himself he was compelled to omit many expressions of extreme views, and recommendations of desperate and revolutionary expedients for nullifying the constitutional amendments and destroying the results of the war. Had he felt at liberty to give the entire conversation, in its latter attitudes, would have aroused considerable feeling in the North.

THE Democrats pretend to entertain great expectation of a victory in October, or their party's fall. The Boston *Post's* correspondent embodies them as follows:

"County and township organizations nearly all over the State are complete, and the Democracy are determined to overcome the estimated increase of the Republicans on account of the vote of colored persons. This vote is set down at about 15,000. The Democrats also expect to derive benefit from the dissatisfaction in the Republican ranks, which includes the German vote. Well-informed Democrats who have been here during the past few days from Ohio corroborate the foregoing intelligence, and say Ohio will go Democratic this fall by ten thousand majority.

We shall see how this will look alongside of the returns when the election is over.

AT the Fourth of July celebration at Madison, Wis., there was a printing press, engaged in throwing off copies of late telegraphic dispatches. Among these dispatches was the following:

"COREA, July 4.

"Ho! Yankee Nation, Hallo!

"You Mexican Eagle, he lay too much egg here from Commodore Rodgers. Me don't like him some. He egg have iron shells that burst and kill my people much. Me like small little Mexican eagle that don't got shell powder in him stomach, and no lay so big much not egg, all time.

"KIEL-SE, King of Corea.

"By AH-SING-RAT-SKINNER, Chief Minister.

IT is said that the Lunatic Asylum of Georgia is being enlarged. Will there be any Toombs in it?

A Question of Veracity Settled.

It having been asserted by the Philadelphia *North American*, and denied by the Chicago *Tribune*, that iron steamers had been built at Dubuque, Mr. D. E. Lyon, Collector of the port of Dubuque, has stepped in to settle the question of veracity thus raised. He says in a communication to a local paper:

"Allow me to state for the benefit of the disputants that in the summer of 1869, Rouse & Dean, iron founders and iron shipbuilders, launched from their ship yard in this (Dubuque) city an iron side-wheel steamer, about 126 feet long and corresponding beam. This steamer was christened the Clyde. She is now running between St. Paul and St. Louis—is a stout and swift steamer. She was made entirely in Dubuque, hull, boiler, engine, etc., and a finer model is not to be seen on the river. The parties for whom she was made have since ordered a number of iron barges, one of which was launched and finished early last May. Hence you see Rouse & Dean, of this city, are turning off iron steamers and barges, which are not blockade runners, but engaged in coasting trade."

Spirituous Liquors in Transit.

The following reply of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, to an inquiry from Baltimore encasing packages of spirits shipped by railroads, decides a point of some importance to shippers and dealers in spirituous liquors: "The intent of the law in requiring packages of distilled spirits to be stamped (section 23, act of July 20, 1868), and the purposes met thereby, are too evident and of too great importance to admit of any unstamped package, or any package the stamps on which have been cancelled, being put upon the market or shipped without seizure. The matter complained of, viz: That where the package shows any evidence that the spirits are there are spirits within, the spirits are felonies abstracted while in transit, is a matter often complained of to the transportation companies rather than to this office. The practice of indicating by marks or brands upon the outside of packages the character of the merchandise within is not a new one among merchants, and where goods are abstracted while in transit the carriers are usually held responsible.

THE *Tribune* is making figures and commenting on the Presidential election, not a very agreeable occupation, one would suppose these melting days. Here are some of its comments, which are quite to the point: "We have no gift of prophecy, and do not pretend even to guess the result of the next Presidential contest. There were a few more than fifty-seven hundred thousand votes polled in 1868; fifty-seven hundred thousand votes polled in 1872; there will probably be nearly seven millions polled in 1872; one million of them by men who never voted before for President. Many of these have not yet taken sides, and will be governed in their future action by the rival candidates and platforms presented by the two parties respectively. Whichever party shall so nominate a resolve as to satisfy the larger number of these new voters will almost certainly elect its ticket. No wise man will predict the result until he has found who are the candidates and read the antagonist platforms."

SIR ROBERT MURCHISON recently informed the British Geographical Society, relative to his friend Dr. Livingstone, that he had received a letter from Dr. Kirk, dated 20th of April, 1871, in which he stated that although no one at Zanzibar had been to Manowel, the place where Dr. Livingstone was last heard of, he had ascertained that it was a good month's journey—say 200 or 300 miles—west of the Tanganyika, and was a thriving ivory mart. Dr. Kirk was of opinion that Livingstone had been led thither to examine a western lake he had heard of, and into which the waters from Cazembe flowed, to see whether they go to the west of the Congo or the north of the Nile basin. He further hoped that, if Livingstone should have settled the outflow of the Tanganyika, he would be satisfied, and leave all the work to future travelers, seeing that he had been on upward of five years, and must surely want rest. It was satisfactory to know that abundant supplies were waiting for the Doctor at Ujiji, on his return.

GENERAL AND PARTICULAR.

In St. Louis, recently, during a divorce session a husband was anxiously waiting in Court to contest a wife's prayer for dissolution of the marriage tie. Happening to look out of the window, he saw a turtle, larger and more marvelous than anything of the kind he had ever met before, so he went out and made a long and admiring examination. In his absence, however, the woman's request was granted, and, though he cared nothing for her loss, as he had another one engaged and his wedding clothes ready in case of an emergency, this sudden action prohibited him from marrying for five years, and he was almost frantic. His attorney moved for a new hearing, but the woman was again ahead, as she had a new benedict in waiting, whom she married at once and clinched the action.

In England recently, in action against a railroad company for damages arising from injuries caused by the breaking of an axle, scientific evidence was heard in reference to the construction, character and durability of the wheels and axles of railroad cars. It was testified that experience has shown that by tapping, defects can be detected in the wheels, but not in the axles, but that the only way to find out whether the axle is sound or not is to apply force and break it, a method which is so seldom as to defeat its object. Practically, the plan adopted is to break several specimens taken at random from a lot of axles, in order to find whether the iron is good. If the test be satisfactory, the rest of the axles are taken on trust. It is, however, stated that the breaking of railway axles very seldom occurs. In the case before the court it was proved that the axle in question had been in use for eighteen years, and that after it broke a fraction extending around it to the depth of half an inch was discovered.

It is inferred, from the fossil remains recently found in that portion of Colorado Territory lying east of and contiguous to the base of the mountains, extending from north to south through the entire length of the Sierra Madras, that that region once had a tropical climate. Fossil lions, tigers, leopards and other tropical animals have been discovered, and of vegetable remains the tropical fern, the palm leaf, the lemon and the cocoa nut are found in abundance. In the clay formations overlying coal measures the perfect impressions of palm leaves have been frequently noticed. In sinking a coal shaft the impression of such leaves, four feet long, were encountered at about every foot, and in a lime ledge petrified cocoa nuts were found in large number. Beside these indications, the remarkable coal measures, fifty-two feet in thickness, all evidently of vegetable origin, are claimed to point unmistakably to the fact that these things were produced by the same influences now found in tropical regions.

The strength of the Masonic order in the United States, as reported by the Committee on Correspondence of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, aggregate fiscal year, shows a number of lodges, 7,493; members initiated during the last year, 41,936; total number of members in thirty-eight States and one Territory, 466,802. The order is strongest in New York, where there are 650 lodges and 75,262 members. Illinois comes next, with 606 lodges and 39,996 members. Pennsylvania has 316 lodges and 32,958 members.

According to the Albany papers, one Thomas Francis has been particularly unfortunate in his marital relations. His first wife killed herself thirty-four years ago: nine years after his second spouse ran away from him, and died of destitution in Illinois; six years later his third consort was drowned. In 1858 his fourth helpmate was killed, and he, having been convicted of the murder, was sent to prison for life, but pardoned out. In another decade the fifth partner of his bosom mysteriously disappeared; and very recently the sixth wedded idol of his soul eloped and obtained a hearing in a New York bedpost. The accumulation of years and experience having made Francis a philosopher, he bears his connubial bereavements with fortitude and resignation.

A cunning forger was caught in New York the other day. He is twenty-six years of age, and gave his name as Alfred R. Canfield. His plan was to open an account with a savings bank, by depositing the money or genuine checks for a small amount. He would then draw against it, add other money or checks, and again draw upon the sum thus deposited. Finally, he would deposit a forged check for a considerable amount, and on the same day draw against it for nearly the full amount. In one instance, until on the day of his arrest, his plan was successful, and quite a number of savings institutions were victimized by him.

One effect of the establishment of the signal weather service is to stimulate attempts to manufacture meteorological instruments of various kinds which are employed in making the observations. A young man in New York, some time ago, undertook the construction of a set of instruments which would register themselves by telegraph. He has already succeeded with such instruments as rain gauges, anemometers, and the like, and is now experimenting with the thermometer, with which he found great difficulty. It is now announced that he has progressed so far as to be sure of success with this instrument also. It will not be long, therefore, before, in theory at least, if not in actual practice, it will be possible to take the condition of the atmosphere and all meteorological instruments of all the stations in the country at a given time, in the Washington office, by simply connecting the telegraphic circuit through all.

A San Francisco hostler reports that while currying a horse which has been owned by a street car company for three years, he discovered a hard substance under the horse's skin, near the right shoulder, and called the attention of Dr. Crocker, veterinary surgeon of the Fire Department, to it. The doctor made a slight incision in the skin, and withdrew the hard substance, which proved to be an American quarter bearing date of 1858.

PERSONAL.

The Associated German Railways have resolved to present to Prince Bismarck, as a token of gratitude, it is vaguely said, a private railway carriage of the special use of which the Chancellor will be the comforts. The carriage is adapted for use on all railway lines.

M. Emile Ollivier has become the father of a son and of a brochure. The former was given the name of Jocelyn; the latter, which was announced a long time ago, bears the name *Ma Justification*, and only an edition of a few hundred copies has been published for circulation among the friends of the ex-Minister.

The Iron Cross is not such an honor to German officers after all, as ninety-seven out of every one hundred possess either first or second class decorations. That fact, however, makes it rather discreditable to be without one.

Writing from Saratoga, a correspondent of the Boston *Traveller* says he is informed that the gambling houses there have been suppressed. In deference to the feelings of the people, John Morrissey announces that he don't keep a gambling house, but a private club for bull, where gentlemen can get fish suppers, and if they choose, amuse themselves in quiet games. Some others, supposed to keep gambling houses, have followed his example, and keep a kind of boarding house. Over all a thistle under another name may not sting so deep.

A watering place correspondent writes: It is pleasant at the seaside hotel to see how naturally the fathers and mothers in Israel, who are not at all meekly the so-called "lords of creation" submit to it. The charming creatures are out for their annual holiday, and heads of families take the back seat and foot the bills for their pleasure. They are bold to drive the team. You will see the ladies at the hotels rushing about as promiscuously and independently as the gentlemen—now in a hurry inquiring for friends and chatting with the clerks; now in the luggage room hurling trunk carriers, then in the barber shop undergoing the manipulations of the sable head centers, or drinking lemonades "colored" in the soiled, simple that cooling beverage through straws of extraordinary length. In short, the ladies delight in their independence and absolute freedom from restraint, and so take delight in doing those things which, if perpetrated in town, would shock Mrs. Grundy out of seven years' growth!

Mr. P. S. Gilmore will leave for Europe in a few days to interest the magnates of foreign lands in the grand International Jubilee, which it is proposed to hold in Boston. The object of his visit is to secure the patronage of foreign governments, and to induce them to each send their best band at this world's gathering.

Madame Parepa-Rosa, it is stated, will shortly leave London for the continent. She has engaged in England Miss Clara Doria, daughter of John Barnett, the composer of "The Mountain Sylph," and other operas. The lady is said to have a fine soprano voice, and has already made a great success at Naples.

THE PLOT AGAINST THE POPE.

The Main Facts of the Conspiracy to Assassinate Him.

[Rome Correspondent New York World.]

The spell is broken at last, but it would not have been if the Red revolutionary mould have had their way. It is now no longer a secret that a diabolical plot was concocted for the assassination of the Holy Father on the, twenty-fifth anniversary of his election. Three unnamed conspirators, having murdered the Archbishop of Paris, became emboldened, flew at higher game, and thirsted for the blood of the gentle Pio Nono. The details have been carefully suppressed for obvious reasons by the Florentine government, but the main facts have leaked out, and I may assure you that the following account of the affair is substantially correct: Meetings of persons connected with the International Society were held a few weeks ago in Paris, London and Florence, when it was coolly determined to murder the Pope. Everything was arranged beforehand, and the agents of the deed of darkness were sent to Rome in various disguises and by different routes. The day fixed for the tragedy was Friday, the 16th of June; the scene one of the corridors of the Vatican. Unforeseen difficulties arose, however, and it was resolved to postpone this design to the following Sunday, when they felt sure of being able to murder the Supreme Pontiff as he was proceeding to celebrate mass in the Sistine Chapel. All the arrangements were made, and the assassins were confident of success. In fact it was this excess of confidence which ruined the whole plan. Up to this time the most complete secrecy had surrounded all the proceedings, but several of the ruffians who were to take part in the going on now had the temerity to offer bets in the cafes they frequented, that the Pope would not be alive on the third day after the anniversary. This caused the police agents of King Victor Emanuel to smell a rat; numerous arrests were made, and a hint was conveyed to the Vatican that the Pope's person ought to be carefully guarded. Two men arrested are still in "durance vile," and are likely to remain so for some time, as it is not at all probable that they will be brought to trial, because the mere fact of such a conspiracy having been set on foot would certainly not tend to increase the popularity of the "powers that be." In a word, the affair is to be seduously hushed up.

New Method of Testing Steel.

The introduction of steel rails has led, among other points of improved railway economy, to some thorough tests to insure unif orm and superior quality. The Griswold method, in this case, seems as perfect as possible, in securing this result. In the first place, a test ingot from each five ton ladleful of liquid steel is hammered into a bar, and tested for malleability and hardness, especially for toughness, by bending it double cold; in case any test bar fails below the standard suitable for rails, all the ingots cast from that ladleful of steel are laid aside for other uses. In the second place, all the ingots, and each rail rolled from them, are stamped with the number of charge or the ladleful. A piece is cut from one rail in each charge, and tested by placing it on two supports a foot apart, and dropping a weight of five tons upon the middle of it, from a height proportioned to the pattern of the rail, below equivalent to a ton weight is considered a severe test; but in this case there is used a five-ton weight falling from a less height, as more nearly representing in kind—although it of course exaggerates in severity—the test of actual service in the track. If a rail does not stand the blow deemed proper and agreed upon, the whole of the rails made from that charge or ladleful of steel are rejected for such purpose.

Of the eight States whose Legislatures, this year chosen, will elect Senators, the chances are that not more than one change of party affinity, and that in California, will be made. Two Democrats and six Republicans are to be displaced, and the vacancies may be filled by three Democrats and five Republicans. Of the sixteen whose fate is not to be settled till another year we can write more intelligently at another time.

THE INTERNATIONALS IN AMERICA.

The Character of the Organization—Its Strength and Mode of Proceeding.

The supposed connection of the International Workingmen's Society with the burning of Paris, its known intimate association with the Communists of the various countries of Europe, and the rapidity with which its ideas would seem to be extending, have already been referred to in these columns. It has not, however, been generally supposed that the organization had any permanent foothold in the United States. This, nevertheless, appears to be the case. The headquarters of the movement, or rather the principal theater of its activities, is in New York. Each separate organization is termed a section, of which in that city there are twelve, embracing representatives of almost every European nationality. The membership of these different sections varies from fifty to a hundred and fifty, and it is said that constant accessions are being made to their strength. Since the close of the Franco-Prussian war, large numbers of French, German, Bohemian, Hungarian and Swiss immigrants, imbued with the principles of the society, have arrived in this country, who will undoubtedly join the existing societies, or establish lodges of their own. The society appears to be intent on spreading itself as widely and rapidly as possible, sections having recently been established in St. Louis and other cities, and not only to extend itself, but if possible to absorb other societies, planting a nucleus everywhere, and spreading out internationally from it; similarity of action as regards time being provided for in the following manner. Each section is entitled to send one delegate to the annual World's International Congress, held usually in Switzerland. This delegate, of course, goes instructed to represent and advocate certain ideas, which are brought before the Congress for discussion and report. The resolutions, and the debates had upon them, are printed in the daily bulletin of the Congress, a complete copy of which is sent to each section at the end of the session, so that the same ideas are discussed by workingmen all over the world at the same time. So far as regards the United States, the genius of our institutions may prevent the society from becoming dangerous, but as respects the various countries of Europe it almost looks as if indeed the wars of dynasties were about to be ended, and those of the people begun. May they choose better weapons than those their former masters have done.

THE CONNECTICUT BORGIA.

A Most Extraordinary Woman—The Evidence Against Her—How She Looks, Acts and Talks.

The preliminary examination at Derby, Connecticut, of Mrs. Lydia Sherman, accused of poisoning three husbands and eight children, has resulted in her committal for trial. A correspondent of the Boston *Post* says:

The prisoner sat through the examination, lasting two days, ending yesterday afternoon, with perfect composure. With a true woman's instinct she dressed herself to appear at her best, though, in the eyes of some of her provincial critics, she committed the crime of wearing toilettes too gay for her age; and that not less atrocious than murder, in addressing to the feminine code. Her dress was a light striped Japanese poplin, cut in fashionable style and trimmed quite elaborately. There was handsome embroidery at her throat and other undersleeves, silk gloves, of a gray tint to ring been selected for her hands, and a somewhat jaunty round straw hat, trimmed with black velvet, rose and wheat, on her head. The only marks of a desire to avoid observation was a thick blue veil which on the first day she kept over her face, but subsequently withdrew, and certainly showed no evidence of requiring such a barrier from the public gaze. On her left hand she still displayed the jewels of several marriages in three plain gold rings, to which two others were added by way of ornament, and the other hand was similarly decorated. Altogether, the make-up of this suddenly distinguished woman was rather elegant than otherwise, and, as she walked to her seat between two officers of the law, composed and dignified, she certainly appeared the least affected person in the crowded court room.

The testimony was entirely upon the side of the prosecution, and was given in the same manner, and as it cumulated in the two days of the examination it forced conviction upon all of that large class that founds belief upon the bearing of one side only. The eldest son of the dead man was the first examined. He described the circumstances of the death of his father, sister and infant brother. The symptoms were those of arsenical poisoning in each case, and, as circumstantial evidence, it was stated that a package of arsenic procured by Mr. Sherman for the purpose of killing rats, and mysteriously disappeared a short time before. Two attendant physicians were also examined with regard to the symptoms of the illness of Mr. Sherman and his two children, and of old Mr. Hurlburt. With the exception of the infant, they were said to have exhibited the symptoms of arsenical poisoning. Hurlburt, the second husband was seized with his first fatal attack, as his wife was engaged in the broader office of adding him preparatory to his dressing for church. Prof. Barker, of Yale College, was called to testify as to the result of his analysis of portions of the stomachs of the deceased bodies, showing the presence in large quantities of arsenic in the organs dissected to his examination, proved conclusively the cause of the death of the victims. Old Mr. Hurlburt seems to have gone off the hardest, for the Professor testified that the amount of arsenic found in his liver was simply enormous.

Although already adjudged guilty by the rural public, she seems the least aware of, and in conversation gives not the slightest evidence that any doubt of her innocence can be entertained. She boards at the jail, and certainly shows a good appetite and a willingness to be amused. While under guard at her lodgings she received calls in the parlor, visitors frequently and graciously, and exhibited neither annoyance nor anger at the presence of the crowds in the streets to see her pass to the court house. In front of the house is a fine lawn, and there she actually gave a croquet party, looking on from a window and applauding the good strokes, her keepers not allowing her the privilege of greater intimacy of action as hostess. Her age is forty-seven, and in figure and face she is thin, dark and spare. Her height is somewhat above the average of women, her hair and eyes jet black, and her complexion Italian in its tinge. She is in neither beautiful nor att

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FINANCE AND TRADE

WEDNESDAY EVENING, July 12, 1871.

The statement published about a week ago, that the new five per cent. loan of the Government is to be shortly withdrawn from both the home and the foreign markets at an early day, is denied by the Treasury agents in this city, who say that the efforts during the next two weeks to place it will be greater than at any time since the books were opened. There is nothing definite in regard to the condition of the negotiations in London, though the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury succeed in inducing European bankers to take the remaining $130,000,000 of the loan, it ought to have a most direct effect on the foreign exchanges, as it would simply be giving new bonds for old ones already held in Europe; in a word, changing one form of security for another, the amount of the liability of this country to Europe, except in the matter of interest, would be the same. Thus far the reports, which have been numerous to the effect that the Secretary of the Treasury succeed in inducing European bankers to take the remaining $130,000,000 of the loan, it ought to have a most direct effect on the foreign exchanges, as it would simply be giving new bonds for old ones already held in Europe; in a word, changing one form of security for another, the amount of the liability of this country to Europe, except in the matter of interest, would be the same. Thus far the reports, which have been numerous to the effect that the Secretary of the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury succeed in inducing European bankers to take the remaining $130,000,000 of the loan, it ought to have a most direct effect on the foreign exchanges, as it would simply be giving new bonds for old ones already held in Europe; in a word, changing one form of security for another, the amount of the liability of this country to Europe, except in the matter of interest, would be the same. Thus far the reports, which have been numerous to the effect that the

THE VERY LATEST.

THE RIOT.

The Secret Circular Issued by the Irish Catholic Leaders.

A Protestant League to be Formed

Disastrous Effects of the Riot on the Democratic Party.

Threats of Arson and Murder.

Scenes and Incidents of the Day.

Fenian Arms Captured by the Police.

The Hibernians Run Like Sheep.

Special Dispatch to the Commercial.

NEW YORK, July 12, 1871, Midnight.

THE SECRET CIRCULAR.

The following is a copy of a printed circular which has been distributed to the commanders of divisions and companies of the Catholic attacking forces. The numbers from one to thirty-two represent the various divisions, and the names, "Vinegar Hill," "Croppies," "Lie down," etc., are supposed to indicate the points where the Orange procession was to have been attacked by the divisions designated. The movement is engineered by men who have seen service, as is evidenced by the completeness with which everything has been planned. It is believed it was the intention of the Catholics to break through the Orangemen at some point where the attack could most readily have been made, and where the Orangemen could have had the least chance to defend themselves. The attack was to have been made in overwhelming numbers, and the unfortunate Orangemen, overborne and scattered, were to be slaughtered without mercy. The attacking party would have been armed with breech-loaders and pistols, and they boasted that they were strong enough and numerous enough to overcome the force of police or National Guards that might be sent against them. They say that they are resolved to fight the thing through, and they will effectually squelch Orangemen in this city by destroying it, root and branch. Following is the circular in question, which there is high authority for pronouncing genuine:

Orangemen. The green above the Boyne. 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, and 5th will follow Shevelmamons; 6th, 7th, 8th, and 9th follow Vinegar Hill; 10th, 11th, 12th, and 13th follow that city Violated; 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th follow Glant's Causeway; 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 follow Croppy Lie Down."

A PROTESTANT LEAGUE.

The following document has been circulated for signatures with a view of forming a Protestant League: "In view of recent and probable future events, the immediate organization of a society to be known as "The Protestant League of America," headquarters in New York City, with affiliated societies throughout the United States, is recommended. For this purpose and properly to consider the event that gives rise to this suggestion, let public meetings be called at once in this city and elsewhere. The claims of Roman Catholicism are incompatible with civil and religious liberty."

EFFECTS OF THE RIOT ON THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Many Democrats admit that the conduct of Tammany in surrendering to the mob spirit, Hoffman's tardy and compulsory proclamation, and the conduct of the Catholic Irish to-day, will do incalculable injury to the party, not only in this city and State, but throughout the country.

THE CASUALTIES.

A complete list of the casualties as ascertained up to the present hour are as follows: Nine men and two women killed, and seventy-two wounded. The names of the killed are Henry C. Paige, private of the Ninth Regiment, and financial manager of Fisk's Opera House; Mrs. Mary Ann Clarke, aged forty-three; James Clark Love, aged twenty-five; Timothy Hanlon, aged twenty; Thos. Spring, aged eighteen. The name of another not yet identified. Colonel James Fisk, Jr., was wounded on the snake as he was lifting up the body of his colleague.

FIRED WITHOUT ORDERS.

The Eighty-fourth regiment, who made the most slaughter, fired without orders, though not until they had been a number of times fired upon from houses.

ALL QUIET.

At this hour everything is quiet. Hibernia Hall is entirely dark, and no rioters or riotous proceedings are visible.

THE ATTACK DEPRECATED.

The Irish Catholics of the better sort deprecate the attack, but the Hibernians are very indignant.

THE EXCITEMENT IN BROOKLYN.

NEW YORK, July 12.—At Brooklyn there was so much excitement regarding the riots in this city that it was deemed advisable by the police and Chief Campbell to have a force at headquarters during the night. All the court officers and sanitary squad were held in reserve to 1 A. M. The Fourteenth Regiment was dismissed early in the evening. All the regiments turned out full numbers. The Seventh had 1,100 men in line.

COL. FISK THREATENED BY THE MOB.

The locality of the house to which Col. Fisk was taken is kept a secret, as the mob threaten to take the life of any member of the Ninth, and especially that of Fisk. The Hibernians will have vengeance for the men of their order killed to-day.

THE PARADE IN JERSEY CITY.

NEW YORK, July 12, 2:30 P. M.—About one hundred and fifty Orangemen paraded to-day in Jersey City, escorted by three regiments of militia, commanded by Gov. Randolph and staff are at Taylor's Hotel. The Governor has ordered the ferry companies to stop their boats, if necessary, to prevent a mob. Up to this time it is ascertained that no roughs are aboard. Regiments were stationed at each ferry house ready for service, if needed. All the liquor saloons in Jersey City are closed. There is a great deal of excitement, but quiet generally reigns.

THE ORANGEMEN NOT DISTURBED IN CANADA.

NEW YORK, July 12.—Advices from the principal cities of Canada state that the Orangemen paraded without being disturbed, but intense anxiety is felt at the proceedings in this city.

INDIGNATION MEETING OF MERCHANTS.

NEW YORK, July 12.—At an adjourned meeting of merchants held in the Produce Exchange this afternoon, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we enter our solemn protest against the arbitrary assumption of power on the part of the Mayor and Superintendent of Police, in discriminating between the rights of one religious or political organization to the prejudice of another.

Resolved, That we utterly repudiate the sophistry and superficial pleading which said order or order its justification, as unworthy the source from whence it emanates, and as in direct opposition to the great American doctrine of "equal rights to all."

Resolved, That we care nothing for the religious or political prejudices that may underlie differences among our foreign fellow-citizens, but demand that any restriction of the rights of one class more than another, and every violation of the principle that all shall be granted to all foreigners alike, without regard to their voting power.

Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting are due and hereby are tendered to Governor Hoffman for the prompt and manly manner in which he has relieved the Empire city from the odium of being goverged by a rabble.

RAID ON A FENIAN HALL.

The police seized two hundred stand of arms at the rooms of Fenian Hall, Nos. 19 and 21, Avenue A, and brought them to police headquarters. The mob did not wait to learn the business of the police, but fled on their approach.

RAN LIKE SHEEP.

The police, backed by the Eighty-fourth regiment, made a raid on Hibernian Hall, and the mob ran like sheep. A large number were arrested and locked up. Revolvers and pistols were found upon their persons. The arms were removed from the hall by the Eighty-fourth and taken to the Central office.

DEGRADED.

Policemen Wm. Hennessy and Patrick O'Grady, of the Sixth precinct, refused to obey their superiors and their buttons were cut off, and the men locked up.

RECEPTION OF THE NEWS OF THE RIOT IN CINCINNATI.

CINCINNATI, July 12.—The news from the New York riot to-day produced here a profound sensation. Bulletin boards have been surrounded by crowds during the afternoon and evening, and the newspaper offices were besieged with anxious inquirers for information. The interest throughout the day pervaded all circles; in the banking houses, on Change, the stores and on the public conveyances. It has been the general topic of conversation; the expression has been quite general that the right of the Orangemen to pass through the streets should be maintained at all hazards. A deep seated anti-Catholic feeling has been developed, but it has been distinguished by moderation. Though there are many who beyond question sympathized with the effort to break up the procession, there have been few who have been heard in public to manifest sympathy with the rioters. There has been no such spirit of intense feeling since the war.

END OF THE PROCESSION.

NEW YORK, July 12.—The Orange procession broke up in Fourth avenue, opposite the Cooper Institute. The Orangemen put their badge and regalia in their pockets, and, mingling with the crowd, dispersed. The police took charge of the Orange banners.

TROOPS READY TO MOVE AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE.

NEW YORK, July 12, P. M.—The city is quiet. Heavy bodies of police are patrolling the city, and the troops in the armories are ready to move at a moment's notice. An Orangeman's house was stoned to-night, but the mob fled from the police. Several false alarms of fights are made.

SALUTE IN HONOR OF THE PROCLAMATION.

PESHKILL, N. Y., July 12.—Thirteen guns were fired here in honor of the proclamation of Gov. Hoffman.

THANKS TO GOV. HOFFMAN.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 12.—At a meeting of the Common Council this evening, resolutions of thanks to Gov. Hoffman for his action in upholding the rights of the people to assemble and parade were unanimously passed. The board is largely Republican.

ARCHBISHOP PURCELL INTERVIEWED.

CINCINNATI, July 12. The newspaper reporters interviewed Archbishop Purcell, to-night, with reference to the New York riots, but found him with comparatively little to say on the subject. He says that in this country Orangemen have no more authority than a common person. Disputes from Dayton and adjacent cities show a deep feeling of indignation over the riotous proceedings. Things are quiet here to-night.

THE BETRAYAL OF PUBLIC LIBERTIES.

[From the N. Y. Times of yesterday.]

No one can doubt that public feeling has been stirred to its depths by the deliberate surrender of our city to the Irish mob. Even our contemporaries who are in the pay of the ring, and who generally support their employers, for once revolt at their odious task. With a single infamous exception—that of the *World*—every journal of this city yesterday day bitterly condemned the Mayor and his friends for handing over the public liberties into the hands of the Irish Catholics. It was an act without a parallel in the history of this country, for cowardly and base that every American must regard it with shame and disgust. The Tammany leaders absolutely forsook the city by preconcerted arrangement. Governor Hoffman was among the first to run. Tweed packed up his biggest diamonds in a carpet bag, and took flight early on Monday. Sheehy went off to his country seat, Long Branch. Hall, after writing the circular which he made poor Fisk sign, decamped with three hundred volumes of manuscript plays, novels, and philosophical essays, which he has written during the last two years, and published at the city expense. These men have not even the pluck to face their own supporters. Their lieges, as the Orientals say, burned Hibernia Hall, sacked the city, and officially announced to the Irish Catholics that everything was left at their mercy.

Time is justifying all that we have ever said of the Tammany leaders, and is justifying it much faster than we anticipated. Already it has been proved by their own reports that these men have embezzled enormous sums from the public purse. Last Saturday we brought home one distinct case of theft to Sweeny, Connolly and their colleagues. We have alleged over and over again that the Tammany leaders keep their places only by pandering to the lowest sections of the community, and that true Americans are in no way responsible for their existence—except by abstaining from putting forth their power to crush them. Our statements have been signally verified. Tweed and his friends have committed some of the greatest outrages on public liberty ever recorded. In the first place, they allowed so-called "Hibernian societies" to publish notices in the papers to the effect that on the 11th members must assemble to *"receive arms and final instructions."* It was known that the arms were to be used against the Orangemen on the 12th. The notices in question were signed, but no proceedings have been taken against the persons responsible for them. No attempt was made to warn the Irish Catholics that a riot on the 12th would be sternly suppressed. On the contrary, the Mayor and his fellow authorities went down on their knees to the rioters. They implored the Irish to take the city and be satisfied. The Protestants, they said, shall not be allowed to assemble in any shape or manner. They could read the cunningly devised paragraphs in which Tweed's organs now tell us that the city is at the mercy. Does anybody suppose that such an impression as this can be produced without working grave results? The Irish will very soon find another pretext for threatening a riot—for they will say that in refusing to taking the trouble to give us warning of it. Then we shall see a repetition of Monday's proceedings. The very authorities set up to protect the public liberties into the hands of the disorderly class. They will bring shame upon the city, and will be responsible for all the bloodshed that follows such criminal blunders. It is scarcely possible that the Orangemen, who had accepted the situation and been separated by the circular of Superintendent Kelso, can now so far modify their arrangements as to go on with their march in uninterrupted celebration. The very change of front, executed so suddenly in the face of critical circumstances, is a manifestly clear proof of a confusion of counsels, which is fatal to the discipline and success of a political party.

It is possible that an attempt may be made to load the whole fiasco upon Superintendent Kelso, and to send him out into the wilderness bearing some of the sins of the King. But no such paltry device can succeed with the people at large. Behind Kelso stands the Mayor, the very surrender of Monday to prevent the recognition of that wonderful style where Longbrooks is with the City Hall for adequate expression. Behind the Mayor is that row of shifty adventurers who own and control him, and it is to this foul power which has inspired and guided His Honor's fatally facile pen. The city sufficiently understands this. In the honest and fresh indignation of yesterday there were no words wasted on Kelso. Tammany was the source of all the shame and wrong. The country will readily learn the evident lesson. As long as we were only robbed of our money and insulted by the open profligacy of our rulers, the interior seemed to care very little for it. But now that a grave offense has been committed against the very spirit of social order, a blow has been struck at the foundations of civil freedom, the whole country will surmise that peril we are in from this oligarchy of tricksters so weak as to quail before a handful of rowdies, so ignorant and reckless as not to know or care when they are rudely touching a vital point of civil freedom.

If, after all, the procession takes place, much depends upon the prudence and discretion of the Orangemen. If they avail themselves with tact and good temper of the privilege now guaranteed to them, they may profit by the, to say the least, unjust resentment against their lawless persecutors. They should endeavor to show that the respectable citizens of New York are neither their enemies nor their partizans. If they imagine they are the one or the other, they make a fatal mistake. The city is tired of these endless and unjustifiable feuds among its foreign population, and must see its peace continually endangered by their mean lealousies and hates. It says, like the Mountain Chief: "I hold the first who strikes."

THE TAMMANY SURRENDER—ITS EFFECT UPON THE MORE RURAL DEMOCRACY.

[From the Herald of Yesterday.]

What effect Superintendent Kelso's order No. 57, forbidding the Orange parade might have had upon our Democratic cousins in the country yet remains to be seen. We cannot entirely determine how far Tammany is upheld or condemned by the rural Democrats, who live far away from the influence of the foreign vote, and are undismayed in their mountain strongholds by the threats of Fenian conspiracy, but we expect events will soon come in. It seems more than probable that the great outcry of scorn and contempt will be hurled upon Tammany Democracy from the rural districts, even from the newspapers most friendly to the party. The New York Tammany leaders of the Democratic party has never won the actual affection of the country at large. It has always been considered the parvenue of the party by the old firsthanly aristocracy of the South and the Hancock-Adams family nabobs of the East, and it has been looked upon as a selfish, city bred, bondholding offshoot by the broad-seated country big-lobed partizans of the West. Withal, however, it holds the money, understands the diplomacy and manages the voters, and so the Democracy has had to submit and be united and fling language, but also on the streets and in all places of public resort, there was but one voice of detestation, and that was natural, of the very principle of government by the gang of unprincipled splurgers by whom we are misruled. It was nearly you could find any one so lost all sense of manliness or national self-respect as to speak a word in favor of the Kelso circular. By a singular freak of poetic justice, in which the gods must have had a hand, the order was issued expressed no gratitude to Tweed, Sweeny or Hall for spoiling their day's fun. But all decent citizens felt that the fair name of the city had been stained by the bungling hands of that corner club, which we are afraid forward the law and so cowardly toward the mob. Later in the day, every cheek which had retained its capacity to blush was reddened with indignation at the proclamation of the Democratic Governor of New Jersey appearing in which he declares that the evil doers of his own State of the sure punishment which will follow any attempt at the fulfillment of their threats. Governor Randolph's decision to inform our own rowdies of the reception which will await them if they attempt to move on the day should tempt them over the water. From the universal applause bestowed on that sensible and spirited paper, our own rulers may have gained some idea of the depth of public contempt into which they had fallen by their own subservience to the mob.

The proclamation of the Governor was the only way out of the unbearable position the democratic organization of the city had assumed. His action comes too late to save the party from that popular condemnation which always follows such criminal blunders. It is scarcely possible that the Orangemen, who had accepted the situation and been separated by the circular of Superintendent Kelso, can now so far modify their arrangements as to go on with their march in uninterrupted celebration. The very change of front, executed so suddenly in the face of critical circumstances, is a manifestly clear proof of a confusion of counsels, which is fatal to the discipline and success of a political party.

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Rev. Dr. Skinner, of Ft. Wayne, received a unanimous call to the Second Presbyterian Church of Cincinnati, last night.

At the annual meeting of the Overseers of Harvard College yesterday, J. H. Clifford was re-elected President, and N. B. Shurtleff, Secretary.

Entries of machinery, goods, &c., for the International Industrial Exhibition at Buffalo are coming in so fast that the managers have decided to erect a new buildings to accommodate them.

A colored deckhand of the steamboat Shannon swore out a warrant before United States Commissioner Jarrett, at Memphis, Tuesday evening, against the captain, mate and pilots of that boat for allowing the partner, named Powell, to be carried a few miles above that place. He and Powell were rolling whisky from a barge to the boat, when the staging gave way and fell in the river. A yawl was put to his assistance, but the captain ordered them to let him alone and save the whisky, which they did, and Powell was drowned. Before the Marshal reached the levee the boat had left for New Orleans.

During the storm at Philadelphia on Tuesday evening, the spire of the new Methodist Episcopal Church, Twentieth and Oxford streets, was struck by lightning and completely demolished. The freshet caused great damage to property along the Wissahickon and other small streams north of the city.

The Shippensburg *Sentinel* tells the following "snake story," the truth of which is vouched for by a reliable gentleman: One day last week at the house of a family named Ulrich, near Middle Spring, our snake made its appearance. It seems that Mrs. Ulrich had her little child playing on the floor whilst she went up stairs to attend to some domestic duties. After remaining there for some time she heard loud cries of laughter coming from the child, and on returning to the room found the child in a perfect her horror when looking into the room she saw a huge black snake wrapped around the little child's body and entwined around its neck, all the while the little one laughing until the tears rolled down its cheeks. Mrs. Ulrich, with her piercing screams alarmed her husband, working near by, who came in and relieved the child from its horrible fate. Upon the folds of the snake whilst Mrs. U. loosed it with a hoe, and they were thus enabled to dispatch it. The little child was discovered to be in the company and seemed regretful that it should be so murderously dealt with.

A correspondent of the Erie *Dispatch* writes: It is computed that half of the lumber product of last year is now tied up to the banks of the Allegheny. The May and June freshets didn't come. One dealer is named as having at least $100,000 locked up in logs on the Upper Allegheny. The Pittsburgh and other told us that every cent he had in the world was put into pine timber during the last boom, and he has not yet marketed a foot of what he owned. So low water as that at present has not been known for years.

Combined Air and Steam Engine.

A novel invention has recently been brought forward by a mechanic of Nottingham, England, the essential feature of the arrangement being the addition of an air pump to an ordinary high pressure steam engine. According to this plan air condensed in the pump is driven into a tube, where is carried at first within the exhaust steam pipe, next in a spiral course within the funnel, and finally enters at the lower part of the boiler, where it terminates in a large circle, pierced by numerous very fine openings. The air issues from these jets under the heated air bubbles up through the water, imparting heat to it, breaking up its cohesion, and, as it were, preparing for its ebullition. The experiments which have been made with this invention show that it effects a saving of seven per cent. of fuel. The invention made of it to the engines of an iron screw steamer built for the coasting trade. It was found that the screw prevented priming; and though as yet the arrangement has only been found profitably applied to high pressure boilers, the inventor feels confident of its equal value for condensing engines.

OF the general laws passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature, at its last session, seven are acts repealing or otherwise affecting the powers and privileges of railroad and canal companies, and among them there is one which may clear up a mooted point as to the power of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company under its charter and the law to lease the works of companies in *other States*. Act No. 25, approved May 2, 1871, extends the power of railroads to lease or become lessees, and to make contracts with other railroad companies, corporations and persons, as conferred by the act of 13th of February, 1870, and the two acts taken together authorize the railroad companies of this Commonwealth to lease and become lessees of the railroads, canals and works or become lessees of the railroads, canals and works of other companies, whether situated in this or any other State.

WASHINGTON.

Is Civil Service Reform Possible?

Important Questions Submitted by the Commission to the Attorney General—Death of Metcalf, &c., &c.

special Dispatch to the Commercial.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 12, 1871.

Civil Service Reform.

The questions which the Civil Service Commission forwarded to the President with the request to lay them before the Attorney General, were two in number: First, whether under the Constitution the President would, by the act of March 3d, be authorized to appoint a Board of Examiners, on whose certificate, after competitive examination, the whole ner would be entitled by virtue of such certificate to appointment in any of the Departments, whether he was the choice of the Secretary at the head of it or not? Second, if the first question be decided in the negative can the President still lay down rules and regulations by which the Board of Examiners shall give a certificate of qualification and character, and then the Secretaries be bound to select from such examined class, or can they go outside and under existing laws regulating appointments select whoever they please? The Commission are afraid the weight of authority upon the negative side of the first question, and if it is so decided by the Attorney General, the Commission will conclude that the competitive system cannot be constitutionally adopted, except in cases of those offices which are now Presidential appointments. The Commission expects an affirmative answer to the second question, which decision would make it possible to reform the *personnel* of the civil service, but will be powerless to correct abuses of patronage, since, when candidates have once passed examination out of the whole number those will receive appointment who are most vigorously urged by their political backers. The Attorney General informs the Commissioners that he will probably have an opinion ready within a month.

Death of Judge Metcalf.

Judge Metcalf, late of Ohio, and Chief Clerk of the Interior Department under Secretary Cox, died here to-day. He was a very competent and efficient officer.

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GEN. CAPRON.

The employees of the Department of Agriculture yesterday passed resolutions in the highest degree complimentary to their late Commissioner, Gen. Capron. To-day his successor, Prof. Watts, upperaised all of the Department.

THE SEVERN.

There is official authority for contradicting the statement published that the Severn, the flag-ship of the West India squadron, had been ordered to Key or New York Navy yard only last December, after having been completely fitted out and repaired during a period of six months, under the direct supervision of Admiral Lee.

APPOINTMENT.

The President has appointed C. C. Ewell to be postmaster at Kent, Ohio.

THE CROPS.

Information received at the Agricultural Bureau concerning the crops states that the prospect is better than at the last report. In a day or two the official report will be given to the public.

THE PRESIDENT'S MOVEMENTS.

Is expected to return to Washington to-night, and resume his duties in the Treasury Department to-morrow.

A PLAUSIBLE STATEMENT.

P. M. Dox, member of Congress from Alabama, while before the Ku-Klux Committee, testified that in 1868, during an election which was held that year, there were no negroes in arms and no disorder, such an extent as to alarm the peaceable citizens. They by some means secured arms, and then subsequently marched through the streets and roads in the cities and villages, firing off their pieces in a careless manner, much to the alarm of the women and children, and that lives had been lost by these discharges. In 1869 and 1870 the negroes were expostulated with and requested to refrain therefrom, but to no purpose. Accordingly, with a view of self-protection, the citizens of the village and small towns thus annoyed banded themselves together, and by the use of the lash, which has existed before the war in Alabama, succeeded in stopping the disturbance. In the negroes, masks were used by some of the organizations, with a view only of frightening them, and to prevent the identification of the persons by whom the organizations were formed. This may have been the case in some instances, but the belief is many that there was a systematic formation with chosen officers, called the Ku-Klux, but from his knowledge of the matter he regarded it as a local matter, such as existed before the war in Alabama. In reference to the political agitation of